



Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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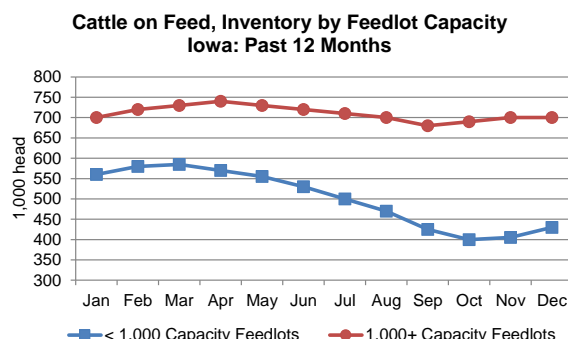
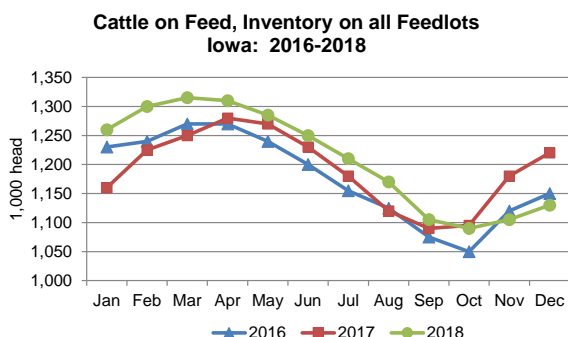
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Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 700,000 head on December 1, 2018, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* report. This was unchanged from November 1, 2018, and December 1, 2017. Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head had 430,000 head on feed, up 6 percent from last month but down 17 percent from last year. Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in all Iowa feedlots totaled 1,130,000 head, up 2 percent from last month but down 7 percent from last year.

Placements of cattle and calves in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during November totaled 106,000 head, down 1 percent from last month and down 13 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head placed 70,000 head, up 35 percent from last month but down 31 percent from last year. Placements for all feedlots in Iowa totaled 176,000 head, up 11 percent from last month but down 21 percent from last year.

Marketings of fed cattle from Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during November totaled 104,000 head, up 12 percent from last month but down 5 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head marketed 43,000 head, down 4 percent from last month and down 38 percent from last year. Marketings for all feedlots in Iowa were 147,000 head, up 7 percent from last month but down 18 percent from last year. **Other disappearance** from all feedlots in Iowa totaled 4,000 head.

NOTE: This report is a combination of estimates from the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* survey for Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head and the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship-funded *Cattle on Feed* survey for Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head.



All Cattle on Feed – Iowa

Item	Feedlots 1,000+ capacity (1,000 head)	Feedlots less than 1,000 capacity (1,000 head)	All feedlots (1,000 head)
Cattle on feed ¹ , November 1, 2018	700	405	1,105
November placements	106	70	176
November marketings	104	43	147
November other disappearance ²	2	2	4
Cattle on feed, December 1, 2018	700	430	1,130

¹ Cattle and calves on feed are steers and heifers being fed a ration of grain, silage, hay and/or protein supplement for slaughter market that are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. It excludes cattle being "backgrounded only" for later sale as feeders or later placement in another feedlot.

² Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Cattle on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance by Month, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – Selected States and United States: 2017-2018

State	Cattle on feed ¹ December 1			Placements during November			Marketings during November			Other disappearance ² during November		
	2017	2018	'18 as % of '17	2017	2018	'18 as % of '17	2017	2018	'18 as % of '17	2017	2018	'18 as % of '17
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Arizona	261	289	111	34	30	88	24	27	113	1	1	100
California	470	535	114	71	72	101	38	54	142	3	3	100
Colorado	990	1,010	102	150	140	93	135	145	107	5	5	100
Idaho	260	285	110	48	59	123	41	41	100	2	3	150
Iowa	700	700	100	122	106	87	110	104	95	2	2	100
Kansas	2,310	2,360	102	420	400	95	380	385	101	20	15	75
Minnesota	155	160	103	26	25	96	20	14	70	1	1	100
Nebraska	2,590	2,600	100	545	520	95	460	490	107	15	20	133
Oklahoma	315	325	103	60	52	87	63	50	79	2	2	100
South Dakota	260	240	92	54	47	87	53	44	83	1	3	300
Texas	2,660	2,680	101	480	450	94	445	430	97	15	20	133
Washington	215	235	109	43	40	93	36	34	94	2	1	50
Other States	330	320	97	46	55	120	39	51	131	2	4	200
United States ...	11,516	11,739	102	2,099	1,996	95	1,844	1,869	101	71	80	113

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UNITED STATES CATTLE ON FEED

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.7 million head on December 1, 2018. The inventory was 2 percent above December 1, 2017.

Placements in feedlots during November totaled 2.00 million head, 5 percent below 2017. Net placements were 1.92 million head. During November, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 550,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 495,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 416,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 315,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 115,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 105,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during November totaled 1.87 million head, 1 percent above 2017. Marketings were the highest for November since the series began in 1996.

Other disappearance totaled 80,000 head during November, 13 percent above 2017.

Cattle on Feed Inventory on 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – United States

